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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Department of Justice Fiscal Year 1989 Authorization Bill: Relaying Agency Comments to OMB

- 1. On 4 February 1988, I called Branden Blum, Legislative Analyst, Office of Management and Budget (OMB). I was calling in response to OMB's request for Agency views on the draft Fiscal Year 1989 Department of Justice Authorization Bill.
- 2. I advised him that the Agency had no objection to the draft. The bill is basically the same as it has been for the past few years. Each year Justice tries to obtain permanent authorization for its appropriations but each year the Congress refuses to grant it. As a result, many Justice activities operate on a year-to-year basis, including, interestingly enough, many of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's counterintelligence activities. There is no indication that this year will be any different

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